

Our Inspections Department's Compliance Officer works hard to help keep Garner safe and looking good. The department sometimes gets questions about what constitutes a code enforcement issue, so we've put together

# The Town of Garner Code Compliance "Top 5 List"

## 1—Tall Grass and Weeds



Grass and weeds over 12 inches in height over a majority of a property are considered a public nuisance violation.

## 2—Junk and Abandoned Vehicles

For a vehicle to be considered "junk," it must NOT display a current license plate as well as at least one of the following:

- is partially dismantled or wrecked;
- cannot be self-propelled or moved in the manner in which it was intended to move; or
- is more than five years old and appears to be worth less than \$100.

Vehicles meeting these requirements are tagged with a notice of violation and can be towed at the owner's expense after seven days.



## 3—Solid Waste

Accumulations of trash, garbage wood, metal, furniture and many other items (see *photo above for example*) are considered a public nuisance violation.

## 4—Minimum Housing

The Town of Garner's Minimum Housing Code sets a minimum standard of livability for residential structures. This covers structural, heating, plumbing and electrical requirements, minimum amounts of space, as well as basic standards for safe and sanitary conditions.

## 5—Zoning Violations

The Code Compliance Officer also enforces many sections of the Unified Development Ordinance including sections on temporary sign violations, unpermitted businesses and other violations.